

## UTAH AREA CODES

The third area code for the State of Utah has been delayed a second time. The 385 area code was originally intended to go into effect on March 30, 2002, and was originally delayed a full year. Now the Utah Public Service Commission has delayed it until 2005 based on continued conservation of numbers. When the change is made on March 30, 2005, the area codes will be as follows:

- 801: Salt Lake County
- 385: Utah, Davis, Weber and Morgan Counties
- 435: All other Counties in the state

Although the 385 area code will go into effect March 30, 2005, continued use of 801 will be allowed through a transition period ending September 30, 2005. To see a map of the coming changes as shown on the Qwest web site, click [here](#).

The North American Numbering Plan Administration, which oversees area code and telephone-number assignments, originally informed the Commission in 1999 that numbers under 801 would be exhausted by mid-2001. The code was originally slated to go into effect December 31, 2000, when it was discovered there were still plenty of numbers available under 801. The Commission launched a conservation of unused 801 numbers by requiring telecommunications companies seeking additional numbers to prove they were using 90 percent of the numbers they have been assigned.